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1. An oval-shaped airfield was located on level ground about a mile northwest of PARNU (24°29'N/58°23'E), Estonian SSR, in the direction of LAVASSAARE (24°20'E/58°31'N). It was partially surrounded by woods. There was a 160x6,600-foot concrete runway. The PARNU-LAVASSAARE single-track (peat) railroad line crossed the field.
2. Hangars, buildings, and a radio station were on the edge of the field.
3. The field was heavily occupied by single-engine fighters and twin-engine bombers.
4. Two circular antiaircraft gun emplacements, with a range finder, four guns, four pill bunkers, and two communication trenches each, were seen on the edge of the field.

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5. The very large airfield located immediately east of the PARNU-LAVASSAARE highway was almost surrounded by mixed woods.
6. The oval-shaped field had a black-looking concrete runway and a hangar. No billets were seen, but there were many tents in the woods, each occupied by about 30 men.

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7. The field was occupied by about 150 single-engine and twin-engine aircraft.

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Comment:

a. The information on the location, construction, and occupation of the field agrees in a general way with previous reports. More accurate descriptions of the single-engine aircraft are required to determine whether they are fighters or ground attack aircraft.

b. It is considered probable that a unit (not a school) is stationed at the field.

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